

R.'s garden, and as we turn we see her at our side pointing out the Missionary Pear Tree.

"How did it come about," we enquire, "that the tree was devoted to this object?"

"Well," she replies, "it was in this way: Some few years ago a person asked if I would like to have a Missionary Box, and I thought not, as it wouldn't be much use. But I wanted to help, so I considered what I could do for the cause, and one day in the garden the thought came to me. I had several pear trees in the garden, and I resolved to set apart one of the best as a Missionary Pear Tree. It is a fine, healthy, young tree, and bears delicious fruit. This fruit I sell for different prices according to the size, the finest sixpence, and next fourpence, the smallest threepence a dozen. One gentleman gives a shilling a dozen on condition of choosing for himself. The smallest amount the tree has ever brought in one year has been one shilling, and the largest twenty-two shillings.

The Missionary Pear Tree is one of four standing in a row. But all are not equally flourishing. Two have been struck by lightning and look almost dead, and another looks very drooping and bears nothing at all. Only the dedicated tree remains strong and well, and is in full bearing every year. Mrs. R. has seldom any difficulty in disposing of the pears, but it happened one year that after supplying all her friends near home, she found she still had a large quantity left. What could she do with them? She was not left long in doubt, for the post brought an order for some from a person she knew who lived at the town of W—, some few miles away. Mrs. R. took them there herself by railway, and whilst in the train fell into conversation with a fellow-passenger who, hearing about the fruit, asked to have some. Still there were thirteen dozen left, and thirteen dozen seemed a good many. But the next day a visitor called, who had come on purpose to ask about the pears, having tasted them at the house of a friend, and liked them so much that she wished to secure some for her own family.

"How many would you like?" Mrs. R. enquired.

"All you have," was the reply.

So the thirteen dozen were disposed of!

It seems but a small thing to do, does it not? Just a tree dedicated, and a little trouble taken in disposing of its fruit. But it is not given to every one to do great things, and certainly the smallest efforts are not to be despised if it can in truth be said of them, "She hath done what she could."

—It is hard to resist sin; it is hard not to follow thine own will; it is hard to save thy soul; but it is harder far and unendurable to lose it and the sight of God. Thine own easy ways will become hard to thee: God will make hard ways easy.

—The life of a true man cannot be a life of mere pleasure; it must be, above all things, a life of duty.

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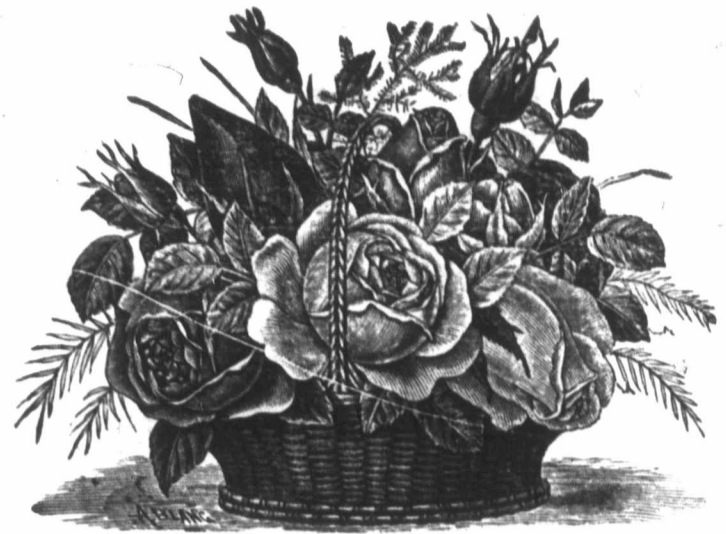
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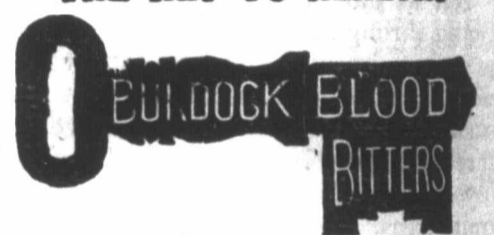
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